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Re:

FOIA Request No. F-00163-19

Final Response

Dear Ms. Best:

The U. S. Agency for International Development (USAID) regrets the delay in responding to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act request. Unfortunately, USAID is experiencing a backlog of FOIA requests. Please know that USAID management is very committed to providing responses to FOIA requests and remedying the FOIA backlog.

This is the final response to your May 28, 2019 FOIA request to USAID. You requested, records mentioning or generated as a result of liaisons and contacts between CIA officials and the following USAID personnel: Ann Chambers and James White. The date range for this request is January 1, 1970 through December 31, 1979.

For your information, Congress excluded three (3) discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all of our requesters and should not be construed as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

USAID conducted a comprehensive search of the Office of Human Capital and Talent Management (HCTM) for documents responsive to your request. Based on this search, no records were identified as responsive to your request.

If you require any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, you may Theresa Morris, the assigned FOIA Specialist by phone on (202) 712-0286 or at thmorris@usaid.gov. You may also contact USAID's FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Colbow, at foia@usaid.gov.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services offered:

Office of Government Information Services National Records and Archives Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, Maryland 20740-6001 E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Telephone: (202) 741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448

Fax: (202) 741-5769

You have the right to appeal this final response. Your appeal must be received by USAID no later than 90 days from the date of this letter. In order for it to be considered an official appeal, please address and send directly to the FOIA Appeal Officer:

Director, Office of Management Services U.S. Agency for International Development 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Ronald Reagan Building, Room 2.12.010 Washington, DC 20523

If you wish to fax your appeal, the fax number is (202) 216-3369. Both the appeal and envelope should be marked "**FOIA APPEAL**." Please include your tracking number F-00163-19 in your letter.

There is no charge for this FOIA request. As this concludes the processing of your request, it will be closed.

Thank you for your interest in USAID and continued patience.

Sincerely,

Christopher Colbow, Chief

FOIA Public Liaison

FOIA Officer/Agency Records Officer

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